



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 5
77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD
CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

0000005

EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.



225825

MAR 30 2001

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF

SE-5J

VIA FACSIMILE (312) 642-2773
AND U. S. MAIL

Mr. Sean Linnane
Magellan Development Group
1 West Superior, Suite 200
Chicago, Illinois 60610

RE: Lakeshore East

Dear Mr. Linnane:

This letter is to follow-up our telephone conversation on March 15, 2001, regarding assessing your property for radiological contamination. On several occasions, citizens have inquired about potential radioactive contamination at this property. The concern is that it was once served by the Illinois Central Railroad that delivered monazite ore to the Lindsay Light facility in Streeterville or may have carried tailings from the Lindsay Light facility to fill the property. Historical information about this property may be helpful in determining the extent of investigation appropriate for this property.

In December 2000, U.S. EPA detected radioactive contamination at DuSable Park, which is located on a peninsula south of Ogden Slip. Although presently, we have no evidence of radioactive contamination at your property, given its proximity to DuSable Park and Lindsay Light, its former use as a railroad yard and the extensive development activities planned, we request that you immediately fax a plot plan that shows the boundaries of your proposed development for both the 2001 and future construction seasons. In the meantime, if you have conducted an environment assessment for the above-referenced development, provide us with a copy, whether or not it includes a radiological assessment. Such data would add to our understanding of the area. We also would be interested in copies of any geotechnical boring information you may have relative to this site.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact me at (312) 886-3601, or Fred Micke, On-Scene Coordinator, at (312) 886-5123 or Larry Jensen, Senior Health Physicist, at (312) 886-5026. Please direct any legal questions to Mary Fulghum, Associate Regional Counsel, at (312) 886-4683 or Cathleen Martwick, Associate Regional Counsel, at (312) 886-7166.

Sincerely,

Verneta Simon
On-Scene Coordinator